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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Office Action dated September 28, 2005 which set a one month term for response.

Restriction has been imposed between:

Group I, claims 1-12, drawn to a communication system; and Group II, claims 15-17, drawn to a method of establishing a communication system.

We elect Group I.

We make two special requests, as well. First, look at claim 15. It mirrors claim 1 virtually identically, as far as the elements it recites. It would seem very reasonable to include it in Group I and we ask the Examiner to consider doing so.

Similarly, while the Examiner is certainly correct that claims 16 and 17 involve establishing a communication system, what they really cover is setting up the communication system of claims 1-12. As such they are likely to present the same issues (or lack thereof) as claims 1-12 if they were included, as well.

In any event, we are pleased that this application has finally entered examination and look forward to receiving the results of the Examiner's review on the merits.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-0872. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 50-0872. If any extensions of time are needed for timely acceptance of papers submitted herewith, applicant hereby petitions for such extension under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 and authorizes payment of any such extensions fees to Deposit Account No. 50-0872.

Respectfully submitted,

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